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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

SIR:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant(s) respectfully request that the Examiner consider the references listed on the concurrently-transmitted Form PTO/SB/08.

I. Timeliness, Fees and Certifications in lieu of Fees

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II. Copies of Listed References

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III. Concise Statement of Relevance

All references listed on the concurrently-transmitted Form PTO/SB/08 are in the English language, and, therefore, a concise statement of relevance is not required.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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